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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, dated April 5, 2004, relating to the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner has objected to the amendments to the claims for the reason that the text of the withdrawn claims was not submitted. There is submitted herewith an amended "Amendments to the Claims" section of the Amendment filed with the RCE on March 11, 2004, in which the text of all claims is set forth.

Prompt consideration of the Amendment filed with the RCE is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Attv Dkt. 2865-360 In re Patent Application of C# M# **FRAGOLA** TC/A.U. 3727 Serial No. 09/937,709 Examiner: Lien M. Ngo Date: April 9, 2004 October 1, 2001 CLOSURE FOR CONTAINERS, IN PARTICULAR PLUG FOR BOTTLES Title: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. □ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment minus highest number \$ 0.00 (at least 20) =X previously paid for 20 Independent claims after amendment minus highest number \$ 0.00 previously paid for (at least 3) =3 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$ Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s) an additional month (to 3 mos.) and note that an extension fee of \$210.00 was paid 03/11/04 \$ 265.00 \$ 0.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ \$ 0.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$ Please enter the previously unentered . filed Submission attached Subtotal \$ 265.00 If:"small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract -\$ 0.00 Applicant claims "small entity" status. 

Statement filed herewith \$ Rule 56 Information Disclosure Statement Filing Fee (\$ 0.00 \$ 0.00 Assignment Recording Fee (\$ 0.00 Other: AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT 265.00 **TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED \$** The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached. 1100 North Glebe Road, 8th Floor **NIXON & VANDERHYE P.C.** By Atty: Frank P. Presta, Reg. No. 19,828 Arlington, Virginia 22201-4714 Telephone: (703) 816-4000

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